Ord #1 **ORDINANCE NO. 99-** 72

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, REPEALING ORDINANCE 96-45, THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE, 1996 EDITION; ADOPTING THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE, 1999 EDITION; PROVIDING FOR APPLICABILITY; PROVIDING FOR SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF LAWS IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 90-445, Laws of Florida, as amended, the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County is empowered to adopt various updated minimum electrical codes for all municipal and unincorporated areas within Palm Beach County, including, but not limited to, the National Electrical Code; and

WHEREAS, the Building Code Advisory Board of Palm Beach County has recommended that the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County adopt the National Electrical Code, 1999 edition, as the minimum electrical standard within Palm Beach County.

WHEREAS, the Citizens Task Force, sitting as the Land Development Regulation Commission finds that this Code complies with all requirements of the Comprehensive Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

SECTION 1 - AUTHORITY

This Ordinance is promulgated pursuant to Chapter 90-445, Laws of Florida.

SECTION 2 - CODE REPEALED

Palm Beach County Ordinance 96-45, the National Electrical Code, 1996 edition, is hereby repealed.

SECTION 3 - CODE ADOPTED

The National Electrical Code, 1999 edition, is incorporated herein and adopted as the minimum electrical code for all municipalities and unincorporated areas within Palm Beach County, Florida.

SECTION 4 - APPLICABILITY

This Ordinance shall be applicable throughout the unincorporated and incorporated areas of Palm Beach County. This ordinance shall apply as far as possible to any future editions of the National Electrical Code, which may be adopted by the State or County for Palm Beach County, until such time as Palm Beach County may adopt new amendments.

SECTION 5 - SAVINGS CLAUSE

All provisions of Ordinances 96-45, as originally enacted and amended, are specifically preserved and remain in full force and effect for the limited purpose of enforcing any alleged violation of said ordinances, which violations occurred prior to their repeal.

SECTION 6 - REPEAL OF LAWS IN CONFLICT

Ordinance 96-45 is hereby repealed and all ordinances, or parts of ordinances of Palm Beach County, Florida, which are in conflict are hereby repealed. All or any part of those local laws which pertain to the municipal or unincorporated area of Palm Beach County Florida, which conflict with this ordinance or parts of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 7 - SEVERABILITY

If any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this ordinance is for any reason held by the Court to be unconstitutional, inoperative or void, such holding shall not affect the remainder of this ordinance.

SECTION 8 - EFFECTIVE DATE

The provisions of this ordinance shall become effective February 1, 2000.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County, Florida, on this 21 day of December, 1999.

PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, BY ITS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:

BY: Maude Ford Lee
Chair Maude Ford Lee

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

By: Lana Bebe

DOROTHY H. WILKEN, CLERK
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Board of County Commissioners

By: Diana S. Atwood
Deputy Clerk

Filed with the Department of State on the 23rd day of December, 1999.

STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF PALM BEACH
I, DOROTHY H. WILKEN, ex-officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners certify this to be a true and correct copy of the original filed in my office on December 21, 1999.
DATED at West Palm Beach, FL on 1/4/00.
DOROTHY H. WILKEN, Clerk
By: Diane Brown D.C.